



CP SCOOP – February 9th, 2021

## MUNICIPAL UPDATES

**Carleton Place Seniors' Directory** – The Recreation and Culture Department is currently welcoming Company/Organization/Program information to add to our Carleton Place & District Seniors' Directory. If you or your business provide a service or program for seniors in our area, let's get your information added! To submit your info, you can either call or email Jessica Hansen at 613-257-1690 or [jhansen@carletonplace.ca](mailto:jhansen@carletonplace.ca). We look forward to hearing from you!



**Comprehensive Review – What do you want Carleton Place to look like 20 years from now?** The population of Carleton Place is expected to increase from 10,644 (2016 Census) to 20,964 by 2038. We want to hear from YOU on **where and how you think this anticipated growth should occur!**

The Town is in the early stages of considering how we plan for this growth and we want to ensure that EVERYONE, including residents, businesses and developers, have a say in the process.



In order to gather feedback, the team at JL Richards and Associates has developed an initial **SURVEY** to gauge public opinion. We want to hear YOUR thoughts about the Town's future growth. Your participation in the survey is greatly appreciated, and while the survey is anonymous, providing your contact information will allow us to keep you updated on further growth discussions!

**Please visit the survey site** to ensure your thoughts and opinions are captured and to get on our mailing list for future updates.

## FEDERAL UPDATES

### **Government of Canada Addresses CERB Repayments for Self-employed Individuals and Announces Interest Relief on 2020 Income Tax Debt Due to COVID-19 Related Income Support**

- The Government of Canada announced that self-employed individuals who applied for the Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB) and would have qualified based on their gross income will not be required to repay the benefit, provided they also met all other eligibility requirements. The same approach will apply whether the individual applied through the Canada Revenue Agency or Service Canada.

## **PROVINCIAL UPDATES**

**[Ontario Helping Keep Seniors Safe and Connected During COVID-19](#) - Government's investment will help older adults maintain their physical, mental and social well-being** - The Ontario government is investing \$4.5 million through the [Seniors Community Grant Program](#) to support over 180 diverse community projects. This year's funding focuses on helping older adults stay connected with their communities while self-isolating from the safety of their home during the COVID-19 outbreak.

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**[Ontario Increases Mental Health Funding for Postsecondary Students](#) - Investment will expand access to mental health and addiction services during COVID-19** - The Ontario government is providing \$7 million to help increase access to mental health and addiction services for postsecondary students during COVID-19. The funding will provide more supports for students, both on-campus and virtually and can also be used to address the needs of vulnerable and diverse groups, such as Indigenous students, LGBTQ students and students with disabilities.

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**[Ontario Supporting COVID-19 Response in High Priority Communities](#) - Community Ambassadors Providing Specialized Assistance to Better Protect Individuals and Families** - The Ontario government continues to implement its [High Priority Communities Strategy](#) to provide targeted supports to 15 communities hardest hit by COVID-19. As part of the strategy, the province is providing \$12.5 million to local lead agencies to work in partnership with Ontario Health, public health units, municipalities, and other community partners to help high risk neighbourhoods contain the spread of the virus and access services to better protect individuals and families.